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Hyde Park YMCA reopening delayed until later next week

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By Matt Rocheleau, Town Correspondent

The neighborhood's YMCA, which has undergone a one-and-a-half-year, \$8-million renovation and expansion, will not reopen Monday as planned, though officials said the building will still reopen later in the week.

Work on the building has kept up with the schedule to open Monday, but the building will not receive its required city inspections in time, said Kelley Rice, a spokeswoman of the organization.

"It will still open next week," she said, though an exact date is not yet known. "It's just a matter of getting that [inspectional] paperwork completed."

An official grand reopening for the center is slated for Dec. 6 from 3 p.m.-6 p.m.

The center has been closed since July 2009, when construction, which includes the addition of an Olympic-sized pool along with other new space and equipment, began.

The Y was originally set to reopen during the summer. A **heavy fire**, while the building – empty at the time – was undergoing construction last fall, caused significant damage, but officials said then the blaze was not expected to delay progress since much of the damage was in an area planned to be replaced anyway.

To see photos of construction progress on the [Hyde Park YMCA](#), visit the club's Facebook page, [here](#).

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